

An Open Letter to the Faculty

It's up to you, professor. The balance of Penn State prestige in the academic world rests in your hands. Only you are responsible for the academic integrity of our institution.

You, professor, must assume direct responsibility for this and for the personal integrity and self-respect of individuals other than yourself. Is that asking too much? Not when you consider that you are the leader, the teacher, the one to whom we look for guidance and a right start in life's work.

Who are these academic orphans that need your help? Look about you. We stream up and down the Mall; we scribble your lecture notes; we give you endless toil by handing in themes which you must read; and, then, we cheat in your examinations. That's right—we are the students in your classes.

We can't help ourselves in this matter of cheating. It's so easy and the current is too strong. Even though most of us know better, we resort to devious means to keep a comfortable position on that grading curve of yours. Probably 90 percent of us cheat in one way or another. A popular slogan says, "Cooperation means graduation."

So we think it's up to you, professor. Would it be too much for you to (1) make up completely new exams each time, (2) lock them up tightly until exam time, and, until we can devise a system of our own, (3) keep an eagle eye on classroom activity while exams are being given.

You see, professor, since all of us don't have the opportunity to cheat on equal degrees, this is the only fair way. Or don't you believe that true capacity and earnest endeavor should count? You certainly don't want any Phi Beta phonies.—BHS

Letters from the Editor's Mailbox

It Hasn't Died

TO THE EDITOR: May I add my congratulations to the carload you've already received on your fight to keep the co-op effort alive—glad that our school has so powerful an outlet for student opinion.

While I was home for the Christmas vacation I wrote an article and asked our local newspapers to print it, just to add my bit to the fight. I couldn't make it as strong as I wanted to for fear that they wouldn't publish it so I just stated a few facts—enough to start people thinking and, I hope, talking.

If the campaign is still on when I get home again I'll remind the folks of it again.

—Florian B. Yanoski

How About It, Girls?

TO THE EDITOR: Chivalry may or may not be dead, but the much over-rated, friendly, "hello" spirit of Penn State certainly is! At least it is carefully avoided by nearly all Penn State coeds. Why is the coed so cold? Apparently any sign of friendliness on the part of a male student brings to the coed's mind immoral thoughts about his well-meaning intentions.

Luckily the male mind doesn't function this way or we'd all be silent strangers. Must a man wear his credentials, signed by his minister, on his lapel? Or has this post-war surplus of manhood made the coed so conceited and aloof that she need follow no code of ethics, etiquette, or even common courtesy?

In crossing the campus before Christmas vacation, two fellows expressed holiday best wishes to over a dozen coeds. Not one returned, or even acknowledged the gesture! This is quite a contrast to friendly spirit of students and townspeople of the colleges attended last year by this year's sophomores. It is true that the townspeople of State College will only shake your right hand when your left hand is holding a dollar bill, but certainly campus friendship isn't a financial business proposition. Or is it?

College Calendar

All calendar items must be in the Daily Collegian office by 4:30 p.m. on the day preceding publication.

Thursday, January 15

- PENN State-SMU Movies, Schwab, 7 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.
- POULTRY Club, 104 Hort, 7 p.m.
- CHEM Society, 119 New Physics, 7 p.m.
- SIGMA Xi, 121 Sparks, 7 p.m.
- TAU Beta Pi, 107 Main Eng, 7 p.m.
- AG Group, 100 Hort, 7 p.m.
- MATH Society, 215 Main Eng, 7 p.m.
- CO-OP Joint Committee, 417 Old Main, 7 p.m.
- YPCA, 418 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.
- HOMEMAKERS' Group, 111c HE, 7 p.m.
- CHRISTIAN Science Organization, 200 CH, 7:30 p.m.
- NEWMAN Club Discussion Group, Rectory 7 p.m.
- ALL-COLLEGE Cabinet, 2nd floor, Old Main, 8 p.m.
- WRA Aquacade, WH, 8 p.m.
- THETA Sigma Phi, 107 Temp, 6:30 p.m.
- STUDENTS for Democratic Action, 409 Old Main, 8:15 p.m.

At the Movies

Cathaum—Pirates of Monterey.
State—Stone Flower.
Nittany—Diamond Jim.

College Hospital

Admitted Tuesday: Raymond Alleman, James Havard, Larry Atkinson.
Admitted Wednesday: Paul Langham, Howard Lee, Michael Filepas, Jean Frankenfield, Edgar De Graeve, George Allan.

Placement Service

Equitable Life Insurance, January 19, eighth semester men, C&F, A&L.
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, January 16, eighth semester men, C&F, A&L.
Carnation Company, January 20, eighth semester men, CE, EE, ME, C&F, San Eng.
Arrangements for interviews should be made at once in 204 Old Main.

How can a co-op, student union, or any other project be realized if the students aren't even on speaking terms? Coed, would do well to read pages 41 and 42 of their little blue handbook and follow this with a few idle moments with Emily Post.

—Four Disillusioned Peasants

A Word to Mr. Lawther

TO THE EDITOR: What's the story on Penn State basketball? This is the question that is bothering a few thousand students here who really love the game.

We don't profess to be authorities on basketball, but we have been around since the days of Cy Kasselman, Lou Spindell, Bobby McDermott, "Inky" Lautman, Howie Bollerman and a host of other guys who really played the game.

We even gave it a try and got up as high as having "Moose" Krause for a coach. At present, "Moose" can be found at Notre Dame, so maybe we know a little bit about the game, maybe. If we don't, we graduated in the first quarter of our class from a reform school and we know that you can't pick a lock with a sledge hammer, it doesn't fit. When you break it, you don't even have a sledge hammer left.

It's the same way in basketball. You don't build an iron-clad system and then bend five men to fit it. You can't twist them, stomp on them, or break them. In the end, you may not even have a man left, maybe.

We have seen four members of the present Penn State squad play before they came here. They played a fast-moving game, played it for at least four years, and now in two months they are going to forget all that, maybe.

We have seen John Lawther make basketball players. Herk Baltimore, for instance, is doing a fine job with the Wilkes-Barre Barons. When Lawther first got Herk, the boy knew nothing about the game and that's good for the Lawther system, maybe.

On the other hand, we have seen good boys walk out on Lawther. Whitey Von Neida, for instance, who led a Pennsylvania pro league in scoring last year, refused to be broken by the Lawther system. There are other guys on this campus who are in the same position as Von Neida. They are good basketball players, they love the game, and they would love to play for State but they don't want to be broken.

The sooner Lawther gets away from his Stork Club ideas, six feet and over, and learns to treat a basketball player as a man, the sooner he'll have a team, maybe.

Curse your luck, John, but never your players. (Names withheld)

Milk and Sandwiches

TO THE EDITOR: Here we are without a consumer co-op, without any means whatever of furthering that meager allotment the government gives us, and Sally's has the audacity to incur a charge of 17 cents per pint for milk. It can be bought for 20 cents a quart in the city.

Milk alone is not the only item for which exorbitant prices have been asked. Although the rest of this town has no bargains in sandwiches at least they put something between the bread.

Let's not stand by and allow these fine upright business men, who are always thinking of our welfare, to empty our wallets. Here's to a college co-op and a boycott of Sally's.

—Lou Goodfarb

At Other Co-ops . . .

- As of October, 1946 UCLA had five cooperative housing units on campus. They also have an all-Co-op newspaper called "The Chatterbox."
- Recently the City of Chicago attempted to evict a campus co-op housing unit at the University of Chicago but the co-op was successful in the action. operative pre-kindergarten play school on campus. This is a non-profit, low cost, self-help co-operative scheme set up by the veterans and their wives.
- Last year 31 students delegated from five regional federations of campus co-operatives met at Plymouth, Wis., to form the North American Student Co-operative League. Headquarters are at Chicago.
- At the North Dakota Agricultural College, the members of the student Co-op Assn. are building a \$150,000 housing unit, all student sponsored.

Junior Honorary Slates Disc Dance

A record dance, spotlighting William McTurk, noted Thespian star, as master of ceremonies, will be given February 7 by Chimes, newly organized national women's honorary.

The College has been selected as national headquarters for the organization.

The mixer, which follows the Syracuse basketball game in Recreation Hall, will be informal, according to Wilma Brehm and Lois Resler, co-chairmen. Dance benefits will be used to aid the new-born group, formerly Junior Service Board, with the orientation of incoming sophomore and transfer women students.

Men students may buy their tickets for 25 cents from Chimes members now or at Recreation Hall during registration. Women students will be admitted free.

Dance Committees

Formulating dance plans are the following committees: advertising, Jo Fox, Fran Keeney; publicity, Mary Hodgson, Jean Moore, June Snyder, Beverly Williams; records, Jane Fouracre, Janet Gustafson, Ellen Miller, Lorraine Munz, Jean Nye; tickets, Eleanor Kelly.

A national constitution was drawn for the embryonic honor group at a convention held at the College preceding Christmas vacation. Ohio State, University of Pennsylvania, and Temple, whose delegates attended the convention, have also become charter members.

Miss Edith Zinn, who served as Junior Service Board advisor, will continue in this capacity with the national group.

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up to students in State College to make the program work here.

Curricula reform suggestions which could prove valuable to the College include a student committee to study curricula and make recommendations to the administration about courses which are valuable or worthless to the student.

A central file of graduate study opportunities and summer institutes will be set up at national headquarters along with complete information on opportunities for foreign travel.

Penn State will materially benefit by the exchange of information on curricula, discrimination, and graduate study. NSA, however, can only collect and distribute material and set up general policies. Students here must work for any of these suggested reforms to make them effective on this campus.

Spencer Scheckter, advertising manager of the Daily Collegian, was recently made account executive of the Phillip Morris Co., Ltd., for State College.

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